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SUBJECT: US BANK ACCOUNTS IN LAOS

REF: (A) VIENTIANE 0071 (B) STATE 05265 (C) VIENTIANE 0072

1. NAYAN CHANDA OF THE FAR EASTERN ECONOMIC REVIEW INTERVIEWED LAO DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER AND MINISTER OF FINANCE, NOUHAH PHOUMSAVAN DURING HIS DECEMBER VISIT TO LAOS (SEE ARTICLE IN JANUARY 30 FEER). UPON HIS RETURN TO HONG KONG CHANDA INFORMED CONGEN AND DLO OFFICERS THAT HE HAD RAISED THE PROBLEM OF BLOCKED US ACCOUNTS WITH NOUHAH WHO COMMENTED THAT THE QUESTION WAS BEING LOOKED INTO AND, AS CHANDA UNDERSTOOD IT, CONSIDERATION WAS BEING GIVEN TO UNBLOCKING THE ACCOUNTS.

2. FOR VIENTIANE. CONGEN APPRECIATES VIENTIANE REPORTS ON GENERAL BANKING SITUATION IN LAOS AS THERE IS CONSIDERABLE INTEREST IN THIS AREA AMONG AMERICAN REGIONAL BANKING OFFICIALS.

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